

**Import of Capital Goods**

2721. **Shri S. B. Damani:** Will the Minister of Commerce be pleased to state:

(a) whether any applications for the import of capital goods by export-manufacturers have been received for issue of foreign exchange out of the special allocation of foreign exchange in response to the Press Note issued recently by his Ministry; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon?

**The Minister of Commerce (Shri Dinesh Singh):** (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) 124 applications for import of capital goods worth Rs. 4,70,00,000 approx. have been received so far (as on 12-6-1967). The decision of the Capital Goods Committee has been obtained on eight of these applications, while the rest are in different stages of processing.

**Small Scale Industries in Rural Areas**

2722. **Shri D. N. Patodia:**  
**Shri C. C. Desai:**  
**Shri B. Barua:**

Will the Minister of Industrial Development and Company Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken so far by Government to concentrate efforts on the promotion of small-scale industries in small towns and promising rural areas;

(b) the provision made in this regard in the Fourth Five Year Plan; and

(c) how the implementation of such plan is being coordinated between the Centre and the States concerned?

**The Minister of Industrial Development and Company Affairs (Shri F. A. Ahmed):** (a) to (c). A statement is laid on the Table of the House. [Placed in Library. See No. LT-697/67].

**Inconvenience to Railway passengers at Jamui (Eastern Railway)**

2723. **Shri Devan Sen:**  
**Shri Madhu Limaye:**

Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the inconvenience caused to the Railway passengers at Jamui (Eastern Railway, Main line) due to the fact that there is only one window at which tickets are issued;

(b) whether Government propose to open another window for issuing tickets to the passengers at this station; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

**The Minister of Railways (Shri C. M. Poonacha):** (a) No.

(b) and (c). Normally one booking window operates at this station. However, during peak hours, an additional booking window is also opened.

**Madhopur-Garhara Goods Link**

2724. **Shri Nihal Singh:**  
**Shri Madhu Limaye:**  
**Shri Ram Sewak Yadav:**

Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Divisional Superintendent, Asansol (E.R.) has received representations about the new Madhopur-Garhara Goods link from the Guards and Drivers of Jhajha;

(b) whether certain assurances were given by the said Officer to the Guards and Drivers of Jhajha;

(c) whether any suggestions were made by the said Guards and Drivers to run goods trains to path (in accordance with the Time Table) instead of introducing the new Goods Link with a view to saving time;

(d) if so, whether the assurances mentioned in part (b) above have been implemented;